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5 Applicants: Kuang-Hua Lee, Sea-Weng Young
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10 Title: ELECTRONIC DEVICE HAVING A PLURALITY OF METALLIC
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According to the requirement set forth in 37 C.F.R.§1.98 and M.P.E.P. 609 (Rev.1, Feb. 2000), the applicants are submitting a copy of the cited reference (Taiwan Patent No. 477488, "CONNECTOR") and a concise explanation of the relevance in this application hereinafter.

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Please refer to Fig.1, Figs.4 to 6A of TP No.477488. A plurality of terminals 6, 7, which are shown in Figs.5A and 5B, can be inserted into holes 52 of a base 5 having a first surface 51 and a second surface 53. The first surface 51 is used to connect an electronic component such as numeral 1 shown in Fig.1 (prior art figure). The second surface 53 faces a first circuit board 3. The hole 52 of the base 5 comprises a first wall 54 having an accommodating space 542 for accommodating a body 61 of the terminal 6. The terminal 6 comprises a contacting part 63 for contacting with a pin 10 of the electronic component. A tin ball 31 is installed between a bottom member 653 of the terminal 6 and the first circuit board 3 so as to fix the terminal 6 above the first circuit board 3. Therefore, data can be transferred between the first circuit board 3 and the electronic component through the tin ball 31 and the terminal 6 or 7. In conclusion, the electronic

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component and the first circuit board 3 are connected via the tin ball 31 and the terminal 6 or 7 instead of connected via the tin ball 31 only.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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